

4. (Amended) The pipe fitting as claimed in claim 1, wherein the fitting is selected from the group consisting of an elbow joint, a T joint, a straight joint, and an end cap.

*Add the following claims:*

5. (New) The pipe fitting as claimed in claim 2, made of a galvanised iron material.

6. (New) The pipe fitting as claimed in claim 2, wherein the fitting is selected from the group consisting of an elbow joint, a T joint, a straight joint, and an end cap.

*IN THE ABSTRACT:*

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A pipe fitting includes a hollow body and at least one open end for connection to a pipe fitting, the end including internal screw threads. The end includes an integral extension collar which has an inner diameter larger than the screw threads for surrounding unused trailing screw threads of a pipe joined to the fitting and forming an annular gap for holding a sealing compound. The collar has a wall of a comparable thickness to the end and an outer diameter larger than the body of the fitting.